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Cc: Humphrey, Chip[Humphrey.Chip@epa.gov]
From: Barber, Anthony
Sent: Thur 4/11/2013 7:06:33 PM
Subject: Re: Talking points for Tony EJTF meeting 4/12/13 (Chip and I are out tomorrow)

Thanks. This is great info.

From: Conley, Alanna
Sent: Thursday, April 11, 2013 11:41:25 AM
To: Barber, Anthony
Cc: Humphrey, Chip
Subject: Talking points for Tony EJTF meeting 4/12/13 (Chip and I are out tomorrow)

Tony, please see below and let Chip or I know if you have questions. Thanks

Portland Harbor updates since last EJTF meeting (April 12, 2013, Salem, OR)

April 2013 - River Mile 11 East

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- There have been several newspaper articles and radio reports on River Mile 11E.
- EPA entered into a settlement agreement with several potentially responsible parties to conduct additional investigations along a section of Portland Harbor known as River Mile 11 East (11E).
- This area is generally located between the Fremont and Broadway Bridges on the east side of the Willamette River.
- Previous investigations identified elevated concentrations of PCBs in this area of the river compared with other sections of the site.
- The purpose of the supplemental remedial investigations is to get additional information needed to select and design the cleanup remedy for River Mile 11E.
- The intent is to accelerate and begin cleanup plans for River Mile 11E along with

other hot spots (areas with elevated contaminant concentrations), such as Arkema and Gasco, before starting cleanup on the rest of Portland Harbor.

- We expect, if we don't already, to have the signatures today (Friday 4/12/13). Tony – tomorrow check with Sean Sheldrake/Lori Cora for an update on signatures.

- We plan to have an update on our website and send notification to the Portland Harbor email group* (See link below).

April 2013 – Baseline Human Health Risk Assessment Finalized

- The Human Health Risk Assessment (HHRA) was approved by EPA on April 4, 2013. The Lower Willamette Group, with EPA oversight, was responsible for preparing the HHRA.

- The HHRA is one of a series of reports that help EPA determine whether people may be exposed to contamination site, and if so, whether the possibility of harmful effects is great enough that a cleanup is needed. EPA has determined that risks posed by the Portland Harbor site are high enough to take action.

- The assessment evaluates the exposure pathways, or ways which people may come into contact with contaminants in Portland Harbor. The exposure pathways evaluated include:

- ***Consumption of fish and shellfish taken from Portland Harbor.*** The assessment considered recreational, subsistence, and tribal fishers who supplement their diet with Portland Harbor caught fish.

- ***Direct contact with in-water or shoreline sediment*** while recreating, living, or working in- or along the Harbor.

- **Infant consumption of human breast milk from mothers who are exposed to contaminants** from Portland Harbor.

- Nutshell summary of Findings - Eating Portland Harbor resident fish (such as carp, catfish, bass) is a health risk, especially for subsistence fishers and infants that are breast fed by mothers who consume resident fish. PCBs are the primary contaminant associated with most of the risk from eating Portland Harbor fish.

- The HHRA is available for review at the Multnomah County Central Library, and in the Oregon EPA Operations Office. The report summary (easy to read and 108 pgs) will be SOON available on EPA website. contact Alanna Conley 503-326-6831 for CDROM copies.

- We anticipate having a HHRA fact sheet available by April 30 to help the public

understand the results. The fact sheet will be sent to the Portland Harbor email list and posted on EPA website.*

- Project Manager- Chip Humphrey, 503-326-2678 Risk Assessor Elizabeth Allen.

December 2012 – EPA provided Comments to the Lower Willamette Group (LWG) on the Draft Feasibility Study (FS)

- The LWG, with EPA oversight, is responsible for preparing the FS.
- The FS evaluates cleanup alternatives for Portland Harbor. The EPA will use the FS and other documents to develop a proposed cleanup plan which is anticipated in 2014, and will request formal public comments on the plan.
- EPA comments on the Draft FS are available for review on our website.*
- Project Manager- Chip Humphrey, 503-326-2678

Next major milestone: May 2013 - Finalization of Ecological Risk Assessment

Recent EPA outreach activities:

- April: Portland Harbor Community Advisory Group- Presentation on Human Health Risk Assessment, Fish sampling study, River Mile 11E Update and General Overview of EPA comments on Feasibility Study
- March: Presentation to Oregon Tradeswomen- General Overview of Portland Harbor, Discussion of Cleanup Methods at other sites, and Site Tour.
- January: In response to public concerns and questions on the proposed confined disposal facilities, EPA prepared Fact Sheet answering community questions.

*We send updates of activities, community meetings, and notification of publicly available documents through email announcements.

If you are not on our **Portland Harbor email list**, please sign up at:
<http://bit.ly/ptlndhrbr>

*Portland Harbor Website: www.epa.gov/region10/portlandharbor

From: Barber, Anthony
Sent: Wednesday, April 10, 2013 6:15 PM
To: benjamin.e.duncan@multco.us; Stohs, Sheryl
Cc: Conley, Alanna
Subject: Re: EJTF meeting agenda: 4/12/13

Ben,

I plan to be there Friday, but Personal Privacy / Ex. 6 Would you please send me the agenda so I can plan around it? Thanks.

From: Benjamin DUNCAN
Sent: Thursday, March 28, 2013 3:01:48 PM
To: Stohs, Sheryl
Cc: Barber, Anthony; Conley, Alanna; Murchie, Peter
Subject: Re: EJTF meeting agenda: 4/12/13

I understand, and its always good to have our Oregon folks around. I'm assuming Alanna will be there since we have 15 minutes on the agenda for the Harbor update.

Thanks for giving a heads up, and we'll touch base soon.

Take care,

Ben

On Thu, Mar 28, 2013 at 2:58 PM, Stohs, Sheryl <stohs.sheryl@epa.gov> wrote:

Hello Ben,

Looks like you have a full agenda including a little exercise "tour" of West Salem. I will not be

able to attend this meeting in person due to our budget constraints, as you may be well aware. I believe that Alanna and Tony will be there, but I will allow them to answer for themselves as schedules may change. I will call in on the conference line.

Take care,

Sheryl

From: Benjamin DUNCAN [mailto:benjamin.e.duncan@multco.us]
Sent: Thursday, March 28, 2013 10:14 AM
To: EJTF full distribution
Cc: GOLDFARB Gabriela * GOV; Cynthia Carmina Gomez; BROWNSCOMBE Brett * GOV
Subject: EJTF meeting agenda: 4/12/13

Greetings all!

Looking forward to a full day on April 12th. We'll be meeting at Roth's, which is a community space for our regular business from 10-3pm, then having an opportunity to tour the West Salem area with Craig Prosser, who is one of the community representatives engaging around the "West Salem Cancer Cluster." Agency representatives are welcome to come, but should not feel obligated. The tour will run from 3-5 with some time to talk with some of the community leaders and discuss what the role of the TF is.

For those calling in, please see special instructions on the agenda. You'll need to call the main office, and get transferred to a multi-line phone.

See you on the 12th, feel free to call or email with any questions or thoughts.

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